

# HF Happenings 936

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## ZS5ZLB Birthday

From 14 to 28 February, the Zululand Amateur Radio Club, ZS5ZLB will run a birthday station. Listen out on 80, 40 and 60 m. On 14 February there will be a field station on 40 m from the Entumeni repeater site close to Eshowe.

## VP8 Licences

"You may be aware that there have recently been some amateur radio licencing difficulties experienced in the Falkland Islands due to new communications legislation being implemented", Chris, G3WOS (VP8WOS) wrote on 1 February.

"This involved all previous and existing VP8 licences issued under the old Falkland Islands Wireless Telegraphy Act being revoked en masse in early 2020. This included all existing VP8 Antarctic and South Georgia licences, resulting in no legal amateur radio operation in these Overseas Territories being permitted using a VP8 callsign. Licences were then revalidated and re-issued under the new Falkland Islands Communications Ordinance on a case-by-case basis for use in the Falkland Islands only.

We now have some good news from the UK's regulatory body, OFCOM concerning this situation". Details have been posted to <https://www.openfalklands.com/> ("OFCom update on VP8 amateur radio licences in British Antarctic Territory, South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands").

## February

- 1 - Registration for the May RAE opens
- 2 - World Wetlands Day
- 4 - World Cancer Day
- 6 - SARL VHF/UHF Activity Day; Durban ARC meeting
- 7 - AWA CW Activity Day
- 8 - West Rand meeting
- 13 - World Radio Day
- 13 and 14 - CQ WPX RTTY; PACC contest
- 14 - Valentine's Day
- 14 to 28 - ZS5ZLB Birthday station
- 15 - maybe the Provincial schools open
- 16 - PEARS and Border ARC meetings
- 19 to 21 - the South American Lighthouse Weekend  
<http://www.grupodxb.com.ar/>
- 20 - VHF/UHF Online Workshop; Magalies and Highway ARCs meeting
- 20 and 21 - ARRL DX CW contest
- 23 - Secunda ARC meeting
- 26 to 28 - Sandstone Steam Weekend, Ficksburg; Clarens Beer Festival
- 27 - International Milk Tart Day; SARL 40 m Grid Square sprint; CTARC meeting; West Rand Flea Market

## WSJT-X 2.3.0 AND WSJT-X 2.4.0-RC1

The WSJT Development Group has announced the general availability release of WSJT-X Version 2.3.0. It adds FST4 and FST4W, two new modes designed for use on the LF and MF bands. On the 2 200 and 630 m bands FST4 should replace JT9 for making 2-way QSOs and FST4W should replace WSPR for propagation tests.

Upgrading from earlier versions of WSJT-X should be seamless, and there is no need to uninstall a previous version or move any files. Links to installation packages for Windows, Linux and Macintosh are available on <http://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/k1jt/wsjsx.html>.

Also available is WSJT-X 2.4.0-rc1: this is a candidate release intended for beta testers, i.e., individuals interested in testing the program's new features and providing feedback to the WSJT Development Team. The first candidate release for WSJT-X 2.4.0 introduces a new digital mode called Q65 designed for minimal two-way QSOs over especially difficult propagation paths including EME and various types of scatter. Further details and operating hints can be found in the "Quick-Start Guide to Q65" [https://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/k1jt/Q65\\_Quick\\_Start.pdf](https://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/k1jt/Q65_Quick_Start.pdf)



### **DX from Africa**

ET3AA Ethiopia DXpedition. During the 2021 February Central Arizona DX Association's (CADXA) meeting, Ken Claerboat, K4ZW did a presentation on the "ET3AA Ethiopia DXpedition" which is about 35 minutes long <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TOUx7nkWHsM&feature=youtu.be>

Chad, TT. Nicolas, F8FQX (ex-TJ3SN, TN5SN, 5T5SN, TY2CA), is once again very active as TT8SN from N'Djamena. Activity can be on various HF bands and 6 meters. However, this past week he was on 160, 40, 30, 12 and 10 metres CW. QSL via DL9USA and LoTW.

Togo, 5V. Daniel, HB9EHD is active as 5VDE during February. He supports the doctors at the university hospital in Kara. He is operating during his spare time on 40 and 20 metres using FT8 and OQ-100 for SSB. All QSO will be confirmed by LoTW. See QRZ.com.

Mozambique, C9. Bruno, CS7AMN will be active as C91BVA starting from 18 February. Operation on HF bands, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, LoTW.

Tanzania, 5H. Sergey, UT9UU will be operating as 5H3UU from Dar Es Salaam during early August. QSL via home call, LoTW.

Tanzania, 5H. Roman, RA/3W3RR (ex-9Q9RR) has announced plans to be active from Zanzibar island, AF-032. Currently no set dates as to when 5H1RR activity may happen due to COVID-19. More info to follow in due course.

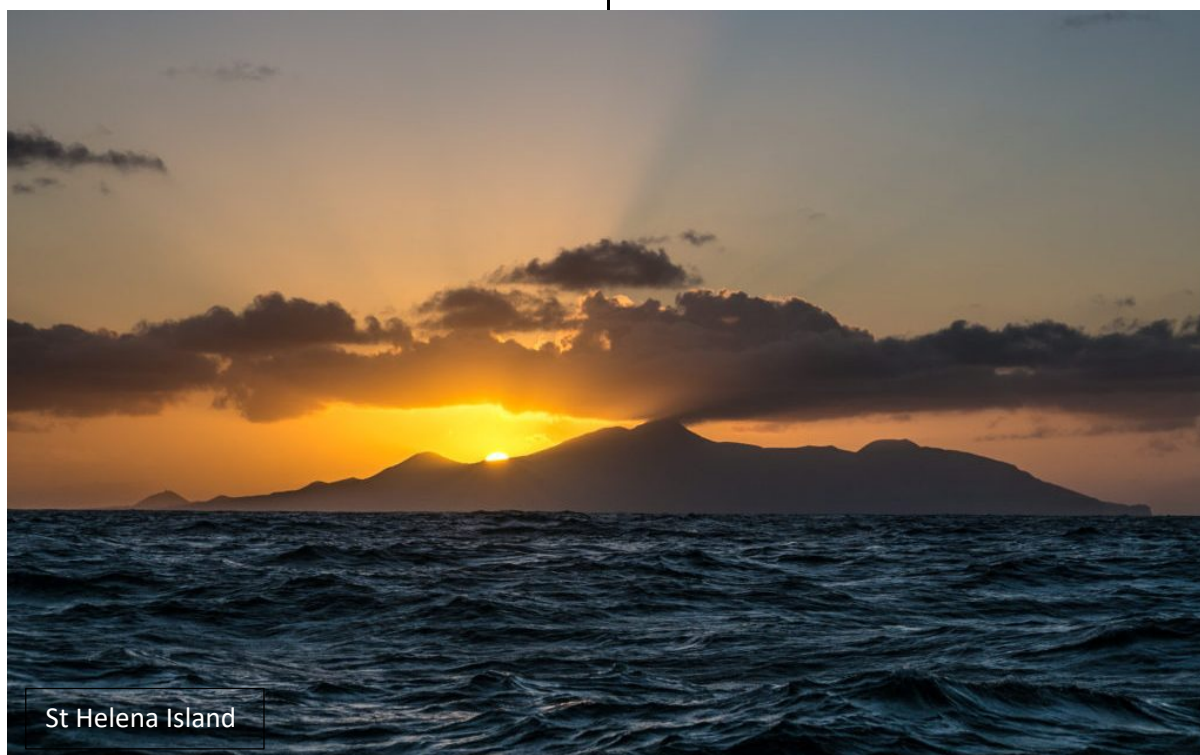
Mauritania, 5T. Tom, DL7BO has plans to be active as 5T7OO soon and staying there for a long period. More info to follow. QSL via DJ6TF.

### **Contest Calendar**

This week's contests as compiled by Bruce Horn, WA7BNM. The period covered is 8 to 15 February 2021

K1USN Slow Speed Test  
00:00 - 01:00 UTC 8 February  
Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
Participation: Worldwide  
Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20 m  
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high  
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;  
QRP: 5 watts



Exchange: Maximum 20 wpm - Name and state, province or country  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
 Multipliers: Each state/province/country once per band; W/VE do not count as country mults  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults  
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 10 February 2021  
 Post log summary at:  
<http://www.3830scores.com>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at: <http://www.k1usn.com/sst.html>

ARRL School Club Roundup  
 13:00 UTC 8 February to 23:59 UTC 12 February  
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW, Phone, RTTY/Digital  
 Bands: All, except 60, 30, 17, 12 m  
 Classes: Single Op (I); Non-School Club (C); School Club/Group (S)  
 Max operating hours: 24 hours total, 6 hours out of any 24-hour period with off times of at least 10 minutes  
 Exchange: RS(T), class (I/C/S) and state, province or country  
 Work stations: Once per mode

QSO Points: 1 point per phone QSO; 2 points per CW/RTTY/digital QSO  
 Multipliers: States and VE provinces and DXCC countries and (2 x class C QSOs) and (5 x class S QSOs)  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults  
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 27 February 2021  
 Post log summary at:  
<http://contests.arrl.org/arrlscrscoresubmission.php>  
 Mail logs to: School Club Roundup, c/o LIMARC, PO Box 392, Levittown, NY 11756, USA  
 Find rules at: <http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup>

OK1WC Memorial (MWC)  
 16:30 - 17:29 UTC 8 February  
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW  
 Bands: 80, 40 m  
 Classes: Single Op All Band - QRP or low; Single Op Single Band - QRP or low  
 Max power: LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts  
 Exchange: RST and serial no  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO



Multipliers: Each last character of worked station call suffix once per band  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults  
 Submit logs by: 06:00 UTC 12 February 2021  
 E-mail logs to: (none)  
 Upload log at: <https://memorial-ok1wc.cz/index.php?page=logs>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at: <https://memorial-ok1wc.cz/index.php?page=rules2l>

Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest  
 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 9 February  
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: SSB  
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 m  
 Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high; Overlay: Youth (26 years old or younger); Youth YL (female 26 years old or younger); YL (female older than 26 years)  
 Max power: HP: 1 500 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts  
 Exchange: RS and age group (OM, YL, Youth YL or Youth)  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with OM; 5 points per QSO with YL; 10 points per QSO with Youth; 15 points per QSO with Youth YL  
 Multipliers: Each DXCC once per band  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults  
 Submit logs by: 01:59 UTC 10 February 2021  
 E-mail logs to: (none)  
 Upload log at: <https://logs.wwsac.com/>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at: <https://wwsac.com/rules.html>

RTTYOPS Week Sprint  
 17:00 - 19:00 UTC 9 February  
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: RTTY  
 Bands: 80, 40, 20 m  
 Classes: Single Op  
 Max operating hours: 2 hours  
 Exchange: other station's call, your call, serial no and your name  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: (none)  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points  
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 16 February 2021  
 E-mail logs to: [rtty-week-tuesday@nrrlcontest.no](mailto:rtty-week-tuesday@nrrlcontest.no)  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at: <https://rttyops.wordpress.com/rtty-mini-contests/rttyops-Week Sprint/>

NAQCC CW Sprint  
 01:30 - 03:30 UTC 10 February  
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW  
 Bands: 80, 40, 20 m  
 Classes: (none)  
 Max power: 5 watts  
 Exchange: RST, state, province or country, NAQCC no or power  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with non-member; 2 points per QSO with member  
 Multipliers: Each state, province, or country once; Key Type Mult: 2 x if straight key, 1.5 x if bug, 1 x if other  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults x key type mult  
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 13 February 2021  
 E-mail logs to: [naqcc33@windstream.net](mailto:naqcc33@windstream.net)  
 jcoreyc@gmail.com  
 Upload log at: [http://naqcc.info/sprint\\_submit\\_log.html](http://naqcc.info/sprint_submit_log.html)  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at: <http://naqcc.info/sprint/sprint202102.html>

QRP Fox Hunt  
 02:00 - 03:30 UTC 10 February  
 Geographic Focus: United States  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW  
 Bands: 40 m Only  
 Classes: Single Op - fox or hound  
 Max power: 5 watts  
 Exchange: RST, state, province or country, name and power output  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
 Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points  
 Submit logs by: 03:30 UTC 11 February 2021  
 E-mail logs to: (see rules)  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
[http://www.qrpfoxhunt.org/winter\\_rules.htm](http://www.qrpfoxhunt.org/winter_rules.htm)

Phone Weekly Test – Fray  
 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 10 February  
 Geographic Focus: North America  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: SSB  
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 m  
 Classes: Single Op  
 Max power: 100 watts  
 Exchange: NA: Name and state, province or country; non-NA: Name  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: NA station: 1 point per QSO; non-NA station: 1 point per QSO with an NA station  
 Multipliers: Each US state (including KH6/KL7) once per band; Each VE province/territory once per band; Each North American country (except W/VE) once per band  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults  
 Submit logs by: 03:00 UTC 12 February 2021  
 E-mail logs to: (none)  
 Post log summary at:  
<http://www.3830scores.com>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
[http://www.perluma.com/Phone\\_Fray\\_Content\\_Rules.pdf](http://www.perluma.com/Phone_Fray_Content_Rules.pdf)

CWops Mini-CWT Test  
 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 10 February and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 11 February  
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Awards: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW  
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m  
 Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high  
 Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts  
 Exchange: Member: Name and member no or CWA; non-Member: Name and state, province or country  
 Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
 Multipliers: Each call once  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults  
 Submit logs by: 04:00 UTC 13 February 2021  
 Post log summary at:  
<http://www.3830scores.com>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at: <https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/>

RSGB 80 m Club Data Championship  
 20:00 - 21:30 UTC 10 February  
 Geographic Focus: United Kingdom  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Awards: United Kingdom  
 Mode: RTTY, PSK  
 Bands: 80 m Only  
 Classes: (none)  
 Exchange: RST and serial no  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
 Multipliers: (none)  
 Score Calculation: (see rules)  
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 11 February 2021  
 Upload log at: <http://www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
<https://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2021/r80mcc.shtml>

RTTYOPS Week Sprint  
 17:00 - 19:00 UTC 11 February  
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: RTTY  
 Bands: 80, 40, 20 m  
 Classes: Single Op  
 Max operating hours: 2 hours  
 Exchange: other station's call, your call, serial no and your name  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
 Multipliers: (none)  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points  
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 18 February 2021  
 E-mail logs to: [rtty-week-thursday@nr1contest.no](mailto:rtty-week-thursday@nr1contest.no)  
 Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:  
<https://rttyops.wordpress.com/rtty-mini-contests/rttyops-Week Sprint/>

NCCC RTTY Sprint  
01:45 - 02:15 UTC 12 February  
Geographic Focus: North America  
Participation: Worldwide  
Mode: RTTY  
Bands: (see rules)  
Classes: (none)  
Exchange: Serial no, name and QTH  
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults  
Submit logs by: 14 February 2021  
E-mail logs to: (none)  
Post log summary at:  
<http://www.3830scores.com/>  
Mail logs to: (none)  
Find rules at:  
<http://www.ncccsprint.com/rttyns.html>

QRP Fox Hunt  
02:00 - 03:30 UTC 12 February  
Geographic Focus: United States  
Participation: Worldwide  
Mode: CW  
Bands: 80 m Only  
Classes: Single Op - fox or hound  
Max power: 5 watts  
Exchange: RST, state, province or country, name and power output  
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
Multipliers: (none)  
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points  
Submit logs by: 03:30 UTC 13 February 2021  
E-mail logs to: (see rules)  
Mail logs to: (none)  
Find rules at:  
[http://www.qrpfoxhunt.org/winter\\_rules.htm](http://www.qrpfoxhunt.org/winter_rules.htm)

NCCC Sprint  
02:30 - 03:00 UTC 12 February  
Geographic Focus: North America  
Participation: Worldwide  
Mode: CW  
Bands: (see rules)  
Classes: (none)  
Exchange: Serial no, name and QTH

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 14 February 2021

E-mail logs to: (none)

Post log summary at:

<http://www.3830scores.com/>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

<http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

K1USN Slow Speed Test

20:00 - 21:00 UTC 12 February

Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20 m

Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;

QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: Maximum 20 wpm - Name and state, province or country

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: Each state/province/country once per band; W/VE do not count as country mults

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 14 February 2021

Post log summary at:

<http://www.3830scores.com>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <http://www.k1usn.com/sst.html>

CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest

00:00 UTC 13 February to 23:59 UTC 14 February

Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide

Awards: Worldwide

Mode: RTTY

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op All Band - QRP, low or high;

Single Op Single Band - QRP, low or high; Single

Op Overlays – Tribander, Rookie or Classic;

Multi-One - low or high; Multi-Two; Multi-

Multi; Multi-Distributed

Max operating hours: Single Op: 30 hours, off times of at least 60 minutes; Multi-Op: 48 hours

Max power: HP: 1 500 watts; LP: 100 watts;

QRP: 5 watts



Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with same country on 20/15/10 m; 2 points per QSO with same country on 80/40 m; 2 points per QSO with different countries on same continent on 20/15/10 m; 4 points per QSO with different countries on same continent on 80/40 m; 3 points per QSO with different continent on 20/15/10 m; 6 points per QSO with different continent on 80/40 m

Multipliers: Each prefix once

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 19 February 2021

E-mail logs to: (none)

Upload log at:

<https://www.cqwprrty.com/logcheck/>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

<http://www.cqwprrty.com/rules.htm>

Asia-Pacific Spring CW Sprint

11:00 UTC-13:00 UTC 13 February

Geographic Focus: Asia/Pacific

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW

Bands: 40, 20 m

Classes: Single Op Single Radio

Max power: legal limit in each country

Exchange: RST and serial no

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: Asia-Pacific: 1 point per QSO; Non-Asia-Pacific: 1 point per QSO with an Asia-Pacific station

Multipliers: Each prefix once

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 20 February 2021

E-mail logs to: [apsprint@jsfc.org](mailto:apsprint@jsfc.org)

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

<http://jsfc.org/apsprint/aprule.txt>

SKCC Weekend Sprintathon

12:00 UTC 13 February to 24:00 UTC 14 February

Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide

Awards: Worldwide

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 m

Classes: Single Op; Multi-Op

Max operating hours: 24

Exchange: RST, state, province or country, name and SKCC no or NONE

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Bonus Points: (see rules)

Multipliers: Each state, province, or country once



Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x total mults) and bonus points  
 Submit logs by: 21 February 2021  
 Post log summary at:  
[http://www.skccgroup.com/operating\\_activities/weekend\\_sprintathon/submit-display.php](http://www.skccgroup.com/operating_activities/weekend_sprintathon/submit-display.php)  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
[http://www.skccgroup.com/operating\\_activities/weekend\\_sprintathon/](http://www.skccgroup.com/operating_activities/weekend_sprintathon/)

KCJ Topband Contest  
 12:00 UTC 13 February to 23:59 UTC 14 February  
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW  
 Bands: 160 m Only  
 Classes: Single Op - high or QRP; Multi-Op  
 Max power: HP: >5 watts; QRP: 5 watts  
 Exchange: JA: RST and Prefecture/District Code; non-JA: RST and Continent Code (AF, AS, EU, NA, OC, SA)  
 QSO Points: JA: 1 point per QSO with JA station; JA: 5 points per QSO with non-JA station; Non-JA: 1 point per QSO with JA station  
 Multipliers: Each JA prefecture/district; JA: each continent  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults  
 Submit logs by: 28 February 2021  
 E-mail logs to: [2021toptest@kcj-cw.com](mailto:2021toptest@kcj-cw.com)  
 Mail logs to: T. Nakamura, Shinden-Nakamachi 4-7, Daito city, Osaka 574-0056, Japan  
 Find rules at: <https://www.kcj-cw.com/>

Dutch PACC Contest  
 12:00 UTC 13 February to 12:00 UTC 14 February  
 Mode: CW, SSB  
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m  
 Classes: SOAB - CW, SSB or mixed - low or high; SOAB Mixed QRP; Multi-One Mixed (PA Only); Multi-Two Mixed (PA Only); Multi-Unlimited Mixed; Single Op Single Band CW; Single Op Single Band SSB; Single Op Limited Low Mixed Novice Tech (PA); SWL  
 Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: PA: RS(T) and province; non-PA: RS(T) and serial no  
 Work stations: Once per band per mode  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with a PA station  
 Multipliers: PA: DXCC countries once per band per mode; PA: Call areas once per band per mode (see rules); non-PA: PA provinces once per band per mode  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults  
 Submit logs by: 1 March 2021  
 E-mail logs to: [pacc@veron.nl](mailto:pacc@veron.nl)  
 Upload log at:  
<http://server4.veronict.nl:81/WebEditor/app>  
 Mail logs to: PACC Contest Manager, c/o VERON Central Bureau, PO Box 1166, 6801 BD Arnhem, The Netherlands  
 Find rules at: <http://pacc.veron.nl/>

YLRL YL-OM Contest  
 14:00 UTC 13 February to 02:00 UTC 15 February  
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW/Digital, SSB  
 Bands: All  
 Classes: (none)  
 Max operating hours: 24 hours  
 Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts  
 Exchange: QSO no, RS(T) and section, province or country  
 Work stations: Once per band per mode  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
 Multipliers: Each section, province, country once per mode; Power factor: x 3 for QRP, x 1.5 for LP  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults x power factor  
 Submit logs by: 16 March 2021  
 E-mail logs to: [vicepresident@ylrl.org](mailto:vicepresident@ylrl.org)  
 Mail logs to: Rita McConnell, NE0DB, 131 N Blythe Dr, Pueblo West, CO 81007, USA  
 Find rules at: <https://ylrl.org/wp/yl-om-contest/>

OMISS QSO Party  
 15:00 UTC 13 February to 15:00 UTC 14 February  
 Mode: SSB  
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m



Classes: Single Op  
 Exchange: RS, state, province or DX and OMISS no if member  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 2 points per QSO with OMISS member; 1 point per QSO with non-member;  
 Bonus: add 500 points to score if mobile for entire contest  
 Multipliers: Each US state/DC once; Each VE province once; 1 DX country once; Power: <5 W = x 3, 100 W = x 2, >100 W = x 1  
 Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x total mults x power mult) and bonus points  
 Submit logs by: 1 March 2021  
 E-mail logs to: (none)  
 Upload log at:  
<http://www.omiss.net/Facelift/qsoElectronic.php>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
<http://www.omiss.net/Facelift/gsoparty.php>

HamCation QSO Party  
 15:00 UTC 13 February to 03:00 UTC 14 February  
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW, SSB  
 Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m  
 Classes: Single Op  
 Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts  
 Exchange: state, province or country and local expected high temperature (see rules)  
 Work stations: Once per mode per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO; Bonus: 100 bonus points for working all nine 1 x 1 call sign stations  
 Multipliers: (none)  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points and bonus points  
 Submit logs by: 19 February 2021  
 Post log summary at:  
<http://www.3830scores.com>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
<https://www.hamcation.com/special-event-station>

Feld Hell Sprint

19:00 – 20:59 UTC 13 February  
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: Feld Hell  
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m  
 Classes: (none)  
 Max power: Standard: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts  
 Exchange: (see rules)  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: (see rules)  
 Bonus Points: (see rules)  
 Multipliers: (see rules)  
 Score Calculation: (see rules)  
 Submit logs by: 17 February 2021  
 Upload log at:  
<https://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
<https://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests/sprints/bingo-sprint>

RSGB 1,8 MHz Contest  
 19:00 - 23:00 UTC 13 February  
 Mode: CW  
 Bands: 160 m Only  
 Classes: Single Op  
 (UK/Overseas)(Assisted/Unassisted)  
 Max power: 400 watts  
 Exchange: UK: RST and serial no and District Code  
 non-UK: RST and serial no  
 QSO Points: 2 points per QSO  
 5 additional points for first QSO with each UK district  
 UK stations: 5 additional points for first QSO with each country outside of UK  
 Multipliers: (none)  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points  
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC February 14, 2021  
 Upload log at: <http://www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
<https://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2021/r160m.shtml>

AWA Amplitude Modulation QSO Party  
 23:00 UTC 13 February to 23:00 UTC 14 February  
 Geographic Focus: United States

Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: AM  
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20 m  
 Classes: (none)  
 Exchange: Name and state, province or country  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: Power>100 W: 1 point per QSO; Power 25 - 100 W: 2 points per QSO; Power <= 25 W: 3 points per QSO; 5 points per QSO on 20 m; 10 points for first QSO with W2AN  
 Multipliers: (none)  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points  
 Submit logs by: 14 March 2021  
 E-mail logs to: [skipperfam@gondtc.com](mailto:skipperfam@gondtc.com)  
 Mail logs to: Ron Skipper - W8ACR, 6466 41st Ave NE, Knox ND 58343, USA  
 Find rules at: <https://antiquewireless.org/homepage/am-qso-party-details/>

PODXS 070 Club Valentine Sprint  
 00:00 - 23:59 UTC 14 February  
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: PSK31  
 Bands: 160, 80, 40 m  
 Classes: OM (QRP/LP/MP/HP); YL (QRP/LP/MP/HP)  
 Max operating hours: 6  
 Max power: HP: 100 watts; MP: 50 watts; LP: 25 watts; QRP: 5 watts  
 Exchange: Name, OM or YL and state, province or country  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with OM; 2 points per QSO with YL  
 Multipliers: Each state, province and DXCC country once only  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults  
 Submit logs by: 21 February 2021  
 E-mail logs to: (none)  
 Upload log at: <http://hamclubs.info/scorer/>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at: <http://www.podxs070.com/o70-club-sponsored-contests/valentine-sprint>

Balkan HF Contest  
 13:00 - 17:00 UTC 14 February

Mode: CW, SSB  
 Bands: 80, 40 m  
 Classes: Category A; Category B  
 Max power: Cat A: 1 000 W input; Cat B: 10 W input  
 Exchange: RS(T) and QSO no  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with category A; 2 points per QSO with category B  
 Multipliers: Each Balkan prefix once per band  
 Score Calculation: Total score = (total 80 m QSO points x total 80 m mults) and (total 40 m QSO points x total 40 m mults)  
 Submit logs by: 21 February 021  
 E-mail logs to: [bfra\\_hq@hotmail.com](mailto:bfra_hq@hotmail.com) with copy to [panayotdanev@yahoo.com](mailto:panayotdanev@yahoo.com)  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at: [https://arabih.ba/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=658:seventh-balkan-hf-contest-2020&catid=30&Itemid=466](https://arabih.ba/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=658:seventh-balkan-hf-contest-2020&catid=30&Itemid=466)

K1USN Slow Speed Test  
 00:00 - 01:00 UTC 15 February  
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW  
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20 m  
 Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high  
 Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts  
 Exchange: Maximum 20 wpm - Name and state, province or country  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
 Multipliers: Each state/province/country once per band; W/VE do not count as country mults  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults  
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 17 February 2021  
 Post log summary at: <http://www.3830scores.com>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at: <http://www.k1usn.com/sst.html>

CQC Winter QSO Party  
 01:00 - 02:59 UTC 15 February  
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW  
 Bands: 80, 40, 20 m

Classes: (none)  
 Max power: 5 watts  
 Exchange: RST and state, province or country  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO; Bonus: 5 points per QSO with W0CQC or N0CQC  
 Multipliers: (none)  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points  
 Submit logs by: 16 March 2021  
 E-mail logs to: [vkumagai@q.com](mailto:vkumagai@q.com)  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
<http://www.coloradoqrpclub.org/contests/winter.htm>

4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint  
 01:00 - 03:00 UTC 15 February  
 Geographic Focus: North America  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW, SSB  
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m  
 Classes: Single Op  
 Exchange: Member: RS(T), state, province or country and member no; Non-member: RS(T), state, province or country and power  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with non-member; 2 points per QSO with member  
 Multipliers: (none)  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points  
 Submit logs by: 17 February 2021  
 E-mail logs to: (none)  
 Post log summary at:  
<http://qrpcontest.com/4sgrp>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
[http://www.4sgrp.com/SSS/sss\\_rules.pdf](http://www.4sgrp.com/SSS/sss_rules.pdf)

OK1WC Memorial (MWC)  
 16:30 - 17:29 UTC 15 February

Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW  
 Bands: 80, 40 m  
 Classes: Single Op All Band - QRP or low; Single Op Single Band - QRP or low  
 Max power: LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts  
 Exchange: RST and serial no  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
 Multipliers: Each last character of worked station call suffix once per band  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults  
 Submit logs by: 06:00 UTC 19 February 2021  
 E-mail logs to: (none)  
 Upload log at: <https://memorial-ok1wc.cz/index.php?page=logs>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at: <https://memorial-ok1wc.cz/index.php?page=rules2>

RSGB FT4 Contest Series  
 20:00 - 21:30 UTC 15 February  
 Geographic Focus: United Kingdom  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: FT4  
 Bands: 80 m Only  
 Classes: 100 W; 10 W  
 Exchange: 4-character grid square  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
 Multipliers: Each large locator square  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults  
 Submit logs by: 21:30 UTC 16 February 2021  
 Upload log at: <https://www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
[https://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2021/r80m\\_ft4.shtml](https://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2021/r80m_ft4.shtml)

## Next Week's Contests

Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 16 February  
 RTTYOPS Week Sprint, 17:00 - 19:00 UTC 16 February  
 QRP Fox Hunt, 02:00 - 03:30 UTC 17 February  
 Phone Weekly Test – Fray, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 17 February  
 CWops Mini-CWT Test, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 17 February and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 18 February

AGCW Semi-Automatic Key Evening, 19:00 - 20:30 UTC 17 February  
 RTTYOPS Week Sprint, 17:00 - 19:00 UTC 18 February  
 NCCC RTTY Sprint, 01:45 - 02:15 UTC 19 February  
 QRP Fox Hunt, 02:00 - 03:30 UTC 19 February  
 NCCC Sprint, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 19 February  
 K1USN Slow Speed Test, 20:00 - 21:00 UTC 19 February  
 ARRL International DX CW Contest, 00:00 UTC 20 February to 24:00 UTC 21 February  
 Russian PSK WW Contest, 12:00 UTC 20 February to 11:59 UTC 21 February  
 FISTS Sunday Sprint, 21:00 - 23:00 UTC 21 February  
 Run for the Bacon QRP Contest, 23:00 UTC 21 February to 01:00 UTC 22 February  
 K1USN Slow Speed Test, 00:00 - 01:00 UTC 22 February  
 QCX Challenge, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 22 February and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 23 February  
 OK1WC Memorial, 16:30 - 17:29 UTC 22 February  
 Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 23 February  
 RTTYOPS Week Sprint, 17:00 - 19:00 UTC 23 February

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